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Southern Four Corners Group Is Modifying Operations To Implement Local Health Guidance

Chinle, AZ – The Southern Four Corners Group (SOFO) of parks - Canyon de Chelly National Monument, Hubbell Trading Post National Historic Site, and Navajo National Monument - in response to Public Health Emergency Order No. 2020-003 issued by Navajo Department of Health, is announcing additional modifications to operations to support federal, state, and tribal efforts to slow the spread of the novel coronavirus (COVID-19).

As of March 23, 2020, SOFO will offer no or very limited services outside those that support visitor or resource protection. The following services and operations will be suspended in order to comply with the Navajo Nation Order:

- **Canyon de Chelly National Monument** – Welcome Center, Park Store, and the White House Overlook and Trail are closed until further notice.
- **Hubbell Trading Post National Historic Site** – Visitor Center and Trading Post are closed until further notice.
- **Navajo National Monument** – Visitor Center, Park Store, Campground and Trails are closed until further notice.
- SOFO parks will not offer on-site public or educational activities (hikes, walks, tours, programs), provide visitor information and services, operate or provide restrooms, nor maintain trails or walkways.

In addition, the Navajo Nation Order advises visitors to refrain from visiting the Navajo Nation. To read the full order, visit <https://www.opvp.navajo-nsn.gov/News-Media/Press-Releases>.

The health and safety of our visitors, employees, volunteers, and partners at Southern Four Corners Group is our number one priority. The National Park Service (NPS) is working with federal, state, and local authorities to closely monitor COVID-19. We will notify the public when we resume full operations and provide updates on our websites and social media channels.

The NPS encourages people to take advantage of the many digital tools already available to explore their National Parks, including webcams, virtual tours, photo galleries, apps, or other digital content.

Updates about NPS operations will be posted on www.nps.gov/coronavirus. Please check with [individual parks](#) for specific details about park operations.

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